CHAPTER 431

(House Bill 349)

AN ACT concerning

Kent County – Alcoholic Beverages (Expungement)

FOR the purpose of allowing <u>requiring</u> the Kent County Board of License Commissioners to expunge past violations of alcoholic beverages laws and regulations after a certain period of time has elapsed; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Kent County.

BY adding to

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 16-508

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

16-508.

- (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN KENT COUNTY.
- (B) A VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE OR OF ANY REGULATIONS PROMULGATED UNDER IT MAY BE EXPUNGED FROM THE LICENSEE'S RECORD WITH REGARD TO THE CONSIDERATION AND IMPOSITION OF PENALTIES FOR PRESENT VIOLATIONS.
- (C) THE PAST VIOLATION MAY OF THIS ARTICLE OR OF ANY REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER IT SHALL BE EXPUNGED BY THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS AFTER 7 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS OPERATION BY A LICENSEE FROM THE DATE THE VIOLATION OCCURRED.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997.

Approved May 8, 1997.